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HELSINKI PLS PASS TO SECRETARY'S PARTY

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(C) STATE 175558

1. FOREIGN MINISTRY'S SECRETARY GENERAL GJELLUM RECEIVED ME JULY 29 AT MY REQUEST PER REFTEL A. I NOTED THAT THE CONVERSATION REPRESENTED A CONTINUATION OF OUR LAST DISCUSSION OF THE FUTURE OF THE UNITED NATIONS(REFTEL B) BUT FOCUSED ON THE SPECIFIC QUESTION OF MOVES TO EXPEL ISRAEL. IN THIS CONNECTION, I HANDED GJELLUM PRO MEMORIA EMBODYING THE SUBSTANCE OF REFTEL A PLUS A COPY OF OUR LEGAL POSITION AS SET OUT IN REFTEL C.

2. GJELLUM REITERATED NORWAY'S TRADITIONAL OPPOSITION TO ANY MOVES TO EXPEL ANY COUNTRY FROM THE U.N. WHILE HE SAID HE AGREED WITH OUR LEGAL POSITION ON TECHNICAL LEGAL GROUNDS, AS MATTER OF PRINCIPLE NORWAY WOULD BE VERY RELUCTANT TO SEE PROVISIONS OF THE CHARTER FOR SUSPENSION OR EXPULSION OF A MEMBER EVER USED. HE NOTED THAT MEMBER STATES WOULD BE GETTING ON "VERY DANGEROUS GROUND" IF THEY BEGAN TO DECIDE WHO SHOULD BE IN THE U.N. ON BASIS OF THEIR PARTICULAR MORAL OR POLITICAL STANDARDS. ALL STATES SHOULD BE MEMBERS OF THE U.N. THAT WISH TO BE. GJELLUM NOTED THAT NORWAY HAD APPROACHED "A NUMBER OF COUNTRIES" AT THE LAST U.N. GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO EXPRESS SIMILAR VIEWS REGARDING PROPOSALS TO EXPEL SOUTH AFRICA. GJELLUM SAID THAT NORWAY WOULD EXAMINE THE QUESTION OF WHAT FURTHER IT MIGHT DO TO EXERT INFLUENCE ON THIS QUESTION.

3. FOREIGN MINISTER FRYDENLUND, WHO HAD APPARENTLY
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COME INTO THE MINISTRY FOR A FEW HOURS FROM HIS HOLIDAY HOME TO PREPARE FOR HELSINKI SUMMIT, ASKED TO SEE ME ON ANOTHER SUBJECT BEFORE I LEFT THE MINISTRY; THIS PROVIDED ME WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO FILL HIM IN ON OUR DEMARCHE. HE ELABORATED ON A POINT MADE BY GJELLUM, NAMELY THAT HE HAD SPOKEN BLUNTLY TO THE EGYPTIANS WHEN HE WAS IN CAIRO EARLIER THIS YEAR, AND LATER TO THE EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR IN OSLO, WARNING THEM AGAINST ATTEMPTING TO EXPEL

ISRAEL FROM THE U.N. HE SAID HE TOLD THEM THAT THIS TACTIC WOULD ONLY STRENGTHEN ISRAEL'S CONVICTION THAT IT WAS LIVING IN A HOSTILE ENCIRCLEMENT, AND ITS DETERMINATION TO SETTLE FOR NOTHING LESS THAN SECURE FRONTIERS. IN A MORE GENERAL VEIN, FRYDENLUND SAID THAT HE HAD JUST RECEIVED HIS COPY OF THE SECRETARY'S MILWAUKEE SPEECH (LEFT AT THE MINISTRY DURING HIS ABSENCE) AND WAS TAKING IT TO HELSINKI TO READ. HE ADDED THAT HE HAD TOLD HIS STAFF THAT THE MAJOR ISSUE ON WHICH HEY WOULD HAVE TO CONCENTRATE IN THE COMING YEAR WAS THE QUESTION OF THE U.N. AND ITS FUTURE, INCLUDING THE PROPOSALS FOR REFORM OF THE COMMITTEE OF 25.

4. UNFORTUNATELY, EVEN THOUGH I PRESSED GJELLUM AND FRYDENLUND TO INDICATE WHAT MORE NORWAY MIGHT BE PREPARED TO DO IN THE WAY OF DEEDS TO MATCH ITS FULLY SUPPORTIVE WORDS, I WAS UNSUCCESSFUL. GJELLUM IS NOT A POLICY MAKER, FRYDENLUND WAS RUSHING ON HIS WAY OUT OF THE OFFICE, AND DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR POLITICAL AFFAIRS VIBE IS ALSO EN ROUTE TO HELSINKI WITH FRYDENLUND. SINCE FORMIN WILL NOT BE BACK IN THE OFFICE UNTIL AUGUST 10, I FEAR WE WILL GET NO DECISION OUT OF NORWEGIANS UNTIL THAT DATE UNLESS SOMEONE CAN GET TO HIM IN THE INTERIM. MEANWHILE, HE WILL HAVE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO READ SECRETARY'S SPEECH AND PONDER FURTHER THE CONSEQUENCES OF INACTION.

ACTION SUGGESTED: THAT SECRETARY OR SOME MEMBER OF HIS STAFF RAISE ISSUE WITH FRYDENLUND OR VIBE AT HELSINKI, STRESSING URGENCY OF FURTHER NORWEGIAN ACTION BEYOND THAT ALREADY TAKEN WITH EGYPTIANS.

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